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The first sign of spring—the appearance of strawberries on the Barre market.

The next time you get into a fight and feel you are being licked, demand "peace without victory."

The Guild Medicine Co. of Rupert (Vt.) has been sold at auction for \$175,000. Somewhat guilded, to be sure.

Boston is already discussing plans for erecting a Dewey memorial. Is Vermont going to let Boston get ahead of her?

Two years from to-day, the German emperor will be 60. He is giving us a premature demonstration of that now.

About the unkindest cut of all was the likening of President Wilson to Kaiser Wilhelm by the German consul at Cincinnati.

The proposal in Connecticut to require journalists to secure a license to work like a license to hunt, for instance, draws up a sharp distinction between journalists and just newspaper workers. Now and then you meet up with a man who admits he is a journalist.

Admiral George Dewey's devotion to his sister, Mrs. Mary P. Greeley of Montpelier, was typified in the stipulation in his will that she should receive a life annuity of \$500 from his estate. When Dewey came to Montpelier on "Dewey day," back in 1898, he showed marked attention to that sister.

In sentencing a New York factory head to a term in prison for failure to live up to the requirements of the law regarding fire-escapes by reason of which failure 13 persons lost their lives in a fire, Supreme Court Justice Kapper of New York did the right thing. The other factory heads will hustle to see that the law's requirements are lived up to closely.

Bombardment of the Suffolk coast of England by a single war vessel of the German navy could be considered nothing more than a reconnoitering expedition and not calculated to do any particular damage to the bombardment. Or the act of the single ship might have been intended to cloak some other and more important mission of the German navy. It would not be surprising if we should hear of some important maneuver accomplished during the distraction of the Suffolk raid.

The Vermont legislators have been in Montpelier for four weeks, approximately. The time should have been sufficient to get them well acclimated to the new location. The newness of their work has worn off. Therefore, they ought to be right in working trim by this time. The fifth week of their stay in the state capital should be the busiest of the session thus far, and the scale of business should be ascending from that time till—say March meeting, when final adjournment should come.

The \$3,109 which the secretary of the Rutland board of license commissioners and the \$2,400 which the secretary of the Burlington board received for their services (partly attending meetings of the board but chiefly posting names of "habituals" at a stated price of ten cents per name) were altogether too large for the quantity and quality of service they gave—too large, in fact, for any possible service which men in that capacity would be called upon to give. Hence there will be no quarrel with the legislature which plans to make the pay more nearly commensurate with the work. It was a ridiculous law-making slip which permitted the charges legally to be made against the state.

That road hogs are subject to a fine for their persistence was brought out as the result of a case tried in Brattleboro municipal court this week, when it was ascertained to the satisfaction of the court that the driver of a large motor truck persisted in keeping his vehicle in the highway from Brattleboro to Brattleboro, thus preventing other vehicles from passing. The fine imposed was small, being but two dollars; but the general result is something that will satisfy a great many motorists who have been put to great inconvenience by some road hogs. The designation of road hogs need not be confined to drivers of motor vehicles; it may be assumed, because drivers of other vehicles can be as mean as the truck drivers.

The advertisement of "winter sports in Vermont" by throwing scenes on the "movie screen in the large cities is calculated to bring beneficial results to Vermont, only we should have to do something besides make sporadic attempts at enjoying our winter. In other words, we should really make efforts to show our guests the way to enjoy the coasting, the skiing, the snowshoeing, the skating, the sleighing, the ice-boating and such diversions as are possible in this state. Already one town in the state is being represented by "movie" advertisement of this sort, and the pictures are being shown in the larger centers of population throughout the country. The splendid features of Vermont's summers are well known; the entirely different but no less splendid features of Vermont's winters are likely to become as famous.

ANTICIPATING GREAT FRANCO-BRITISH DRIVE.
 By starting thus early, the Germans are following out their old policy of anticipating the entente allies' drives during the spring season. There is every reason to believe that the French and British in particular are planning another great offensive at some point on the long line between Switzerland and the North sea, as they have been conserving the munitions manufactured since the close of the Somme drive many weeks ago and they have been saving their human units as much as possible, resorting merely to trench raids and other minor operations. Anticipating that drive, the Germans are putting forth no slight energy at many points on both eastern and western fronts, having probably had many men released for that service by the virtual culmination of the Rumanian campaign. From this time until the opening of the European spring, it may be expected that the Teutons, and the Germans in particular, will bend themselves to the task of handicapping as much as possible the threatened great movement of the entente allies. That they can harass and embarrass their enemies to a considerable extent is generally admitted, but that they can prevent a great, powerful offensive in the spring is not believed. The Franco-British coast of energy is likely to hit a sledge-hammer blow as soon as the weather conditions become favorable, and the blow may bend back the German line to the point that withdrawal over a considerable area in Belgium and northern France will be necessary. The preponderance of men and munitions, coupled with the lessons learned in two and one-half years, makes this result seem inevitable.

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A National Mobilization.

The Congress of Constructive Patriotism, which Washington welcomed to-day, is in personnel and purpose a national mobilization. Its delegates have been recruited from many walks of life and from every corner of the country. They represent 10,000 members of the National Security league in 280 branches and committees, located in all parts of the union, and more than 225 learned and patriotic societies, colleges, and commercial, labor and agricultural associations. Additional delegates have been appointed by eleven governors and forty-nine mayors to represent officially their respective states and cities. It is an assembly of volunteers who believe that the time is at hand when Americans must do more for America, volunteers who feel the call to service as the citizens of a great democracy. Their aim is not to foist upon their countrymen a military tyranny, much less to inculcate a craving for world dominion. Their conception of the American objective is the maintenance of "an efficient government for a contented people, according to the spirit and purpose of the founders of the republic" that will prove the success of democracy, and exercise upon other nations the beneficent power of example. Massachusetts not only participated in

the call for the congress, but its contribution of speakers and delegates is larger than any other state except New York. Such a congress affords an encouraging refutation of the charge that Americans are not awakening to the challenge of the times. The discussion and the conclusions of such an assembly, devoted as are its delegates to the single purpose of national service, should go far to break up the old solidarity of the sections, and build up the new solidarity of the nation to equalize national obligation and nationalize equal opportunity.—Boston Transcript.

A "United" Poland.

The concatenation of adjectives that the president employed in his reference to Poland is interesting. He said that "statesmen everywhere are agreed that that there should be a united, independent, and autonomous Poland." Passing over the pleonastic slip of speaking first of independence and then of autonomy, the word "united" is worthy of attention. What does the president mean when he uses it? Poland was the victim of three immoral partitions. Her living body was divided among three powers—Prussia, Austria and Russia. If she is to become "united" she is to have her old territories, or is merely Russia to be compelled to surrender her conquest, while Prussia and Austria retain their conquests?

If it is the president's thought that Poland is genuinely to be united it is obvious that his preceding statement is not accurate. The "statesmen of the world are not everywhere agreed" that Poland should be reconstituted. German statesmen have attached much weight, and whose bare words he seems disposed to accept, seem unanimously opposed to a united Poland. They have made it clear that Galicia and Posen and the Polish parts of west Prussia are to be retained by their present possessors. Their programme for Poland applies only to Russian Poland.

Nor does it appear that the German statesmen are friendly to real independence for Russian Poland. The proclamation of the two kaisers says that they are to select a king for Poland and that any Polish army must obey the orders of the emperor of Germany. The economic policy of Poland is to be dictated to her. She is to have no outlet to the sea. What is proposed is not independence—scarcely autonomy. In effect the new Poland will be under German dominion. It would probably be better for Russian Poland to have a straight-out annexation by her Teutonic neighbors—a fourth partition following the other three—for then power would be coupled with responsibility. Of all fraudulent things recently paraded the assertion that it is proposed by the Teutonic powers to give Poland her liberty is perhaps the most fraudulent.—New York Globe.

JINGLES AND JESTS

He and She.
 He sang to her:
 When I am dead you'll find it hard,
 Said he,
 To ever find another man
 Like me.
 And then she sang to him:
 What makes you think, as I suppose
 You do,
 I'd ever want another man
 Like you?
Why He Would Have One.
 "Got a horse to sell, Bill?" asked a man, of a horse trader.
 "No," answered Bill.
 "You know any one who has a horse to sell?"
 "I think Joe Smith has one," answered Bill.
 "Sure? How do you know?"
 "Well," answered Bill, "I sold him one yesterday."

Overworked.
 "Talking about big towns, have you ever been in Leavenworth, Kansas?" asked the commercial traveler in the smoking car. "No? Well, that's a dry town for you, all right."
 "They can't sell liquor at all there?" asked one of the men.
 "Only if you have been bitten by a snake," said the drummer. "They have only one snake in town, and when I got to it the other day after standing in line for nearly half a day it was too tired to bite."

No Divorce for Her.
 A large-sized negro came before a judge seeking redress for domestic troubles.
 "It's a wronged woman," she declared in a give-me-back-my-child-you-villain tone, "an' I wants redress fru' dis yer co't."
 "Tell me about your trouble," said the kind-hearted judge.
 "Its about mah ole man. He's done been cay'in on plumb scandalous wif a lot of dese yer young niggah gals, an' it's got so ba-d dat I don't see him no moah'n once a week. Somp'n's gotta be did!"
 "H'm! I see," said the judge. "You are seeking a divorce—a legal separation—is that it?"
 "Go 'long, man! Divorce nothin'! Think I's gwine t' gib him what he wants, and 'low dat man who, spite all his cussedness, is de han'somest niggah in Coon Tree Holler t' go skyhootin' 'roun' mong dem little yaller gals? N', sah! I don't want no divorce, n'r dat legal separation you-all's talkin' about. N', sah, judge; what I want is an injunction."



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TALK OF THE TOWN

Peter McIntyre of Boston arrived in the city yesterday and will spend the week end with friends in the city.

Andes ranges and heaters; repairs for all kinds of ranges, fire clay and stove-boards. E. A. Prindle, Depot square.

Miss Gertrude Mackie of Maple Grove street, who has been in Burlington during the past few days on business, returned to her home this morning.

Mrs. Pearl Beckley, who has been visiting friends and relatives in the city during the past few days, returned yesterday to her home in South Ryegate.

C. W. Moore arrived in the city last evening and will spend the day on business in the Barre granite belt. To-night Mr. Moore will return to his home in St. Albans.

Card of Thanks.
 We wish to thank our dear kind friends for their sympathy and help in the loss of our dear son, brother and fiancee, Dr. Angus H. L. Smith, also for the beautiful flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. MacDonald, Corine E. Samuelson, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Smith, Gordon A. Smith, Alex J. Smith, George K. MacDonald, R. Nena MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Smith and family.

BIGGEST GARAGE IN VERMONT

Will Be Erected in Burlington By Max L. Powell.

Burlington, Jan. 27.—McDowell, Henderson & Mercer, local architects, are at work on plans for a new fireproof garage for Max L. Powell, to be located immediately south of the Van Ness house on the Rand property, so called, where the Vermont and Van Ness garage is located and which was formerly occupied by the Van Ness salerooms.

The plan is to sell the front building and the building in the rear, so that space will be cleared back to the hotel barn. The plans call for a garage 65x180 feet, which will be the largest in the state, and will have a capacity of upwards of 100 cars.

The building will be two stories high with plate glass fronts and will be rented for display of automobiles. Upstairs will be rented for vulcanizing room, charging battery and display rooms. The entrance will be on St. Paul street. The rear part is to be one story only, and devoted entirely to a garage. The present Van Ness garage will be rented for a repair shop and it is the intention to make this the motor mark of Burlington.

The building will be completed by May 1. It will be steam heated and kept open the year around and used in winter for live storage of cars. The increasing tourist business of the two hotels requires much larger garage facilities. Last summer the hotel garage was enlarged to nearly double its original capacity and then was not large enough.

FAYSTON

Accidents Frequent Here During Past Week at Mill and in Woods.

The past week was an unfortunate one at the mill and in the neighboring woods. Friday, Jan. 19, Dan Moriarty, while oiling some part of the planer, slipped and ran his right hand into the machine, injuring it so that it was necessary to amputate it from the thumb diagonally to the point of the wrist. Tuesday, a lodged tree fell on Charles Pike, breaking some of his ribs and bruising him severely. Wednesday morning a car ran off one of the tracks at the mill, tipping the load of lumber over onto Oscar Neilson, who was badly injured internally. Friday, a falling tree struck another man on the shoulder, inflicting a bad flesh wound there and on his head.

Sam McLaughlin is recovering from an attack of the grip.

The friends of Miss May Small gave her a very pleasant surprise party Thursday evening, Jan. 25, the event being in honor of her birthday, which was Friday, Jan. 26. A social time of games and music was followed by refreshments and the party broke up at a late hour, leaving many good wishes for a long and prosperous life and also a generous sum of money to show their esteem and friendship for Miss Small.

There was a dance at Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maxham's Jan. 23. There was a good attendance and everybody reported a good time.

GRANITEVILLE.

Notice: Members of Court Rob Roy, No. 6, F. of A., are requested to attend a special meeting Tuesday evening, Jan. 30, at 7 o'clock, in regard to suit against the court. B. Jacobs, chief ranger.

"As the Twig is Bent

the tree is inclined." Fathers can do no better practical thing than to start insurance for their sons through this office. National Life Ins. Co. of Vt. (Mutual). S. S. Ballard, general agent, Rialto building, Montpelier Vt.

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WILLIAMSTOWN

The funeral of Mrs. C. J. Cram was held at her late home on the road to Northfield at 1 o'clock Wednesday, Jan. 23, Rev. John Irons officiating. The bearers were all relatives, C. W. Cram, Archie R. Cram, Frank Hopkins and Claude Hopkins. Mrs. Leon E. Poor and Mrs. W. E. Morrison sang selections. Burial was in the village cemetery. Mrs. Cram's maiden name was Mary Evans and though born in Dummerston, her parents moved to Northfield when she was but a girl. She leaves a husband, C. James Cram, a veteran of the Civil war, and two daughters, Mrs. Frank Hopkins of this town, and a younger daughter, Mattie, now Mrs. C. J. Dunham of New Haven, who was present at the funeral. A sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carpenter of Northfield, were away from home for the winter in the South and were unable to be present.

Sheriff A. A. Reed went to Burlington the 25th to attend a meeting of the sheriff's association. Randall Wood has been quite sick for several days past but is now better. Dennis Trombly, who bought the farm owned for several years by J. H. Holt and before that by Charles Nixon, some months ago, has sold out to Orrin Holt, who has for some time owned a part of the original farm.

George D. Walker is reported to be making a good recovery from an operation for appendicitis that he lately underwent at the Mary Fletcher hospital, Burlington.

Orville W. Bosworth, a former citizen and owner of the farm now in possession of M. R. Benevides, is now living in Whittier, Cal. He was always handy with machinery and since going west has taken it up in earnest and is now engaged in setting up and repairing the machinery used in fruit packing houses. He goes from place to place as the business calls him, with Whittier as his headquarters.

Mrs. Lucy A. Whitney, who has rooms in John Perry's house on Main street, has not been in good health for some time and has now gone to the City hospital, Barre, for care and treatment and will later submit to an operation if it is found advisable. Mrs. James J. Kanaly of Montpelier was in town Jan. 25, and visited her mother, Mrs. Albert R. Martin, at Harley.

To all music lovers: Don't forget to call and see the large display of sheet music just received at Bailey's Music Rooms, 14 Elm street.

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